

## Claude W. Kennedy

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Claude W. Kennedy, 84, a lifelong resident of Pleasant Mount, died Thursday. He and his wife, the former Lucille Marchiony, would have celebrated 53 years of marriage on Aug. 10.

Born in Pleasant Mount, son of the late Bert T. and Iva M. Stone Kennedy, he was a graduate of Pleasant Mount Vocational School and attended courses in poultry husbandry at Penn State University. He owned and operated a poultry farm for 35 years, and was a field and wage inspector for the Department of Labor and Industry for eight years. He retired at age 70 as a shipping clerk for Ames Manufacturing Co., Vandling.

He was a member of the Pleasant Mount United Methodist Church, where he was a past member of the administration board and a former director of the pastor-parish relations board. He was a former director of the Pleasant Mount Cemetery, past master of the Mount Herman Lodge 472 F&AM, a member of the Keystone Consistory, a past member of the board of directors at Farview State Hospital, and a board member and committeeman for Agway.

He served as a school board member for 26 years, including four years for the Pleasant Mount Vocational School District and 22 years for the Forest City Regional School District. He received an outstanding citizen plaque for 50 years of continuous voting. He was a charter member of the Belmont Fire Company and the Upperwoods Hunting Club.

Surviving are five daughters, Claudia Overacker, Troy, N.Y.; Suzanne Fitzgerald, Northumberland; Denise Levchak, Allentown; Michele Fenstermaker, Daleville, and Iva Swingle, Forest City; four sisters, Ruth McAndrew, Vandling; Dorothy Dorflinger, Waymart; Mary Prince, Millersville, and Laneta Fries, Aldenville; 12 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and nieces and nephews.

He was also preceded in death by a brother, Bert Jr., and a sister, Helen Moase.

The funeral will be Monday at 11 a.m. from the McGranaghan-Lesjack Funeral Home Inc., 513 Main St., Forest City, with services by the Rev. Joan Dodson. Interment, Pleasant Mount Wheeler Hill Cemetery.

Friends may call Sunday, 4 to 8 p.m. The Masonic Lodge will conduct services at 7 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the Pleasant Mount United Methodist Church, c/o Ellis Dix, Pleasant Mount.